

**REMARKS**

Entry of the foregoing claim amendments prior to examination of the above-identified patent application is respectfully requested. The claim amendments are directed to more specific embodiments of the invention.

5           A favorable first action on the merits is respectfully requested. If there are any additional charges in connection with this response, the Examiner is authorized to charge Applicant's Deposit Account No. 50-1943 .

Respectfully submitted,

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